



# **Old Town Area Parking Study (OTAPS) Work Group**



**Meeting 7: October 16, 2012  
Council Work Room  
5:30 to 7:30 PM**



# Agenda

1. Approval of meeting minutes (Aug 28)
2. Work Group Recommendations (Handout)
3. Follow up from last meetings
4. Work Group discussion
5. Public comment



- June 18    ✓ Kick off meeting
- July 17    ✓ Discussion of RPP (Existing Conditions)
- July 31    ✓ Discussion of RPP (Recommendations)
- Aug. 14    ✓ Discussion of RPP (Recap)
  - ✓ City-wide Employee Handicapped Permit Program
- Aug. 28    ✓ Set triggers for action to be taken to increase garage capacity
- Sep. 11    ✓ Adding meters in unmetered commercial areas with ground floor retail use
  - ✓ Old Town Valet Program



# **Work Group Recommendations (Handout)**

# Residential Parking Permit Program

## **Recommendation to decrease car ownership rate**

- ❑ Revise permit fee structure
  - 1<sup>st</sup> vehicle: \$50
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> vehicle: \$100 per vehicle
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> vehicle: \$200 per vehicle
  - 4<sup>th</sup> vehicle: \$500 per vehicle
- ❑ Limit the number of permits that can be issued to a household

# Residential Parking Permit Program

District Number	# of HH with Permits	Households with under 2 permits	%	Households with 3 permits	%	Households with 4 permits	%	Households with 5 or more permits	%
1	1,777	1,584	89.1%	147	8.3%	36	2.0%	10	0.6%
2	807	746	92.4%	40	5.0%	19	2.4%	2	0.2%
3	531	493	92.8%	30	5.6%	7	1.3%	1	0.2%
4	900	875	97.2%	45	5.0%	10	1.1%	0	0.0%
5	794	739	93.1%	45	5.7%	8	1.0%	2	0.3%
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,809</b>	<b>4,437</b>	<b>92.3%</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>1.7%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0.3%</b>

## Limiting the number of permits to two per household

District Number	Number of vehicles that could potentially be moved to garages
1	251
2	84
3	47
4	65
5	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>514</b>

## Limiting the number of permits to three per household

District Number	Number of vehicles that could potentially be moved to garages
1	58
2	23
3	9
4	10
5	12
<b>Total</b>	<b>112</b>

# Meters on Residential Streets

- ❑ Consider installing multispace meters on residential blocks
  - Wait until the overall on street occupancy rate in a given district reaches 85%
  - Determine if less than 70% of parkers are RPP holders
  - Install multispace meters **AND**
  - Implement distance-based pricing structure

# Meters on Residential Streets

## **Pros:**

- 1- Increases turnover in RPP districts, increased chance of finding a space
- 2- Reduces the cruising time
- 3- Encourages long-term parkers to park off-street

## **Cons:**

- 1- Creates confusion with permit holders in non-commercial areas
- 2- Negative impact on residents who depend on two or three hour parking restrictions to provide free parking for visitors or household help
- 3- Longer time to recoup the cost of the meters
- 4- Meter maintenance cost



# Next Steps

- ❑ Brief the City's Traffic and Parking Board
- ❑ Present OTAPS recommendations to Council
- ❑ Develop an Implementation Plan
  - Install meters in commercial blocks with ground floor retail
    - Traffic and Parking Board public hearing
    - Revise the City Code
  - City-wide Employee Handicapped Parking Permit Program
    - Coordination with Finance & Treasury Dep.
    - Coordination with ACPD
    - Traffic and Parking Board public hearing
    - Revise the City Code

## Next Steps

- Triggers for actions to be taken to increase garage capacity
  - Develop an annual occupancy monitoring plan
  - Request for funding for an additional parking enforcement officer
  - Coordination with General Services on City owned parking garages
- Residential Parking Permit Program
  - Develop an annual occupancy monitoring plan for on street parking spaces

# Questions/Comments



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